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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE VISIT OF UGT SEC GEN TO U.S.

1. DURING COURSE OF CALL AT UGT HEADQUARTERS LAST WEEK, UGT SEC GEN NICOLAS REDONDO SHOWED VISITING U.S. TRADE UNIONIST JACK OTERO (BRAC) AND LABATT LETTER OF INVITATION FROM UAW PRESIDENT LEONARD WOODCOCK TO ATTEND UAW CONGRESS MAY 15-21. REDONDO, WHO HAD JUST RETURNED FROM VISIT TO ISRAEL, WAS VERY PLEASED BUT SAID HE WOULD HAVE TO WORK OUT BEST TIMING FOR U.S. VISIT AT THAT TIME HE HAD NOT YET REPLIED TO THE WOODCOCK LETTER.

2. ON MARCH 15, UGT INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY MANUEL SIMON TOLD LABATT THAT REDONDO WAS INCLINED TO START THE ORIGINALLY PROPOSED TWO-WEEK VISIT (MADRID 1025) THE SECOND WEEK OF MAY, FINISHING UP WITH THE UAW CONGRESS. SIMON HOPED TO BE ABLE TO CONFIRM THE EXACT TIMING UPON REDONDO'S RETURN FROM MARCH 16-21 VISIT TO WEST GERMAN DGB.

3. DURING HIS LAST VISIT HERE, IRVING BROWN WAS OPTIMISTIC THAT AFL-CIO SPONSORSHIP OF A REDONDO VISIT TO U.S. (ACCOMPANIED BY ONE COLLEAGUE, PROBABLY MANUEL SIMON) WAS
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ON THE TRACKS AND COULD BE PINNED DOWN AFTER THE AFL-CIO COUNCIL MEETING AT MIAMI BEACH. THE DEPT WILL RECALL THAT THE INITIAL IDEA WAS TO HAVE A JOINT INVITATION FROM THREE AMERICAN METALWORKING UNIONS: MACHINISTS, STEELWORKERS, AND UAW (1974 MADRID 8705), REDONDO HIMSELF BEING A STEELWORKER. WITH THE UAW INVITATION, IT NOW REMAINS TO GET THE AFL-CIO OFFICIALLY INTO THE ACT, IN

WHATEVER FORM SEEMS MOST APPROPRIATE TO THEM. MIKE BOGGS
(WHO WAS HERE LAST WEEK - SEE SEPTTEL) INDICATED HE WOULD
LOOK INTO THE MATTER UPON HIS RETURN TO WASHINGTON.

4. THE UAW INVITATION - WHICH WOULD APPARENTLY INCLUDE
THE ROUNDTRIP AIR FARE FOR REDONDO ONLY - IS MOST WELCOME.
HOWEVER, TH EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT THE AFL-CIO SHOULD
ALSO BE INVOLVED, AS ORIGINALLY PLANNED. NOW MIGHT BE AN
OPPORTUNE TIME TO ATTEMPT TO SETTLE THIS, AS WE UNDERSTAND
THAT IRVING BROWN IS IN WASHINGTON ON ILO BUSINESS.EATON

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